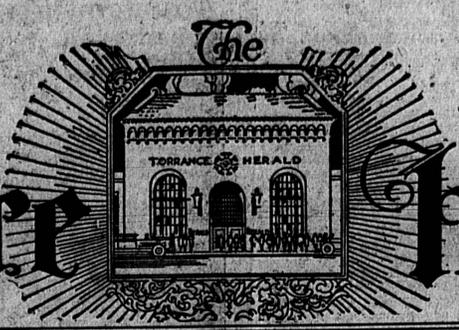




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### REX ALCORN SUGGUMBS TO LONG ILLNESS

Prominent Young Man Passes Away Today At La Crescenta

Rex Alcorn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Alcorn, passed away early this morning at Crest Hill Sanitarium, La Crescenta, where he had been a patient for the past week. The young man, 25 years of age, had been ill for several months, and was taken to the sanitarium on Wednesday of last week in the hope of improving his condition. Rex had been associated with his parents in the Alcorn Drug store, but since last November had been unable to continue with his work there. The remains were brought to Stone & Myers Mortuary today, where funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rex leaves, besides his parents, his widow, Mrs. Mary Young Alcorn, proprietor of Mary's Beauty Shop in Lomita, and a sister, Mrs. Olive A. Singer, noted vaudeville artist. The young couple were married on January 21, 1933, and have been making their home in Lomita.

### CALL FOR BIDS ON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TODAY

According to announcement from W. C. Combs, assistant superintendent of schools in this district, bids on the rehabilitation of the Torrance elementary school, were to be called for by the board of education today. Bids will be received and opened April 17, and construction will probably start about May 7. Concrete will be used in the reconstruction of the building. Work on this unit, damaged in the earthquake on March 10, 1933, had been planned to start about February 1, but has been delayed until the present time.

### H. M. Roberts Writes Concerning Need of Extending And Improving Cabrillo Ave.

In a letter to the Herald, published below, H. M. Roberts, pioneer Torrance citizen and property owner, emphasizes the need for immediate action in extending and improving Cabrillo avenue. The letter follows:

"Editor, Torrance Herald: "Spasmodic" efforts have been made in the past to improve Cabrillo avenue as far south as Carson street. Credit is due many citizens who sincerely labored to make this street a credit to the city but the net result is failure. We have some ornamental lights that are a credit to this street but the street itself is about as it was when carved out of a burley field 33 years ago. "The weak spot in past efforts to improve Cabrillo avenue was pointed out in a letter over the signatures of Edwin L. Guth and Henry Austin and published in the Herald last issue. "In this letter the fact was stated that only a few hundred feet of right-of-way through the Kettler estate was needed to connect Cabrillo to Eshelman avenue. Such a connection would change the status of Cabrillo from a dead-end street to that of a through street capable of carrying north and south bound traffic between the southern end of Western avenue and the harbor district. "Until such connection is made to convert Cabrillo into a through street there is little likelihood of Torrance receiving either federal, state or county aid for this much needed improvement. A recent dispatch from Washington credited the American Association of State Highway Officials as saying that "Public road construction has created employment faster than any other type of work, according to a recent report of Secretary Ickes. For this reason, highways should be given a major consideration in the impending public works program, the highway officials' association believes. "The amendment to the \$4,000,000,000 public works bill now before the senate of the

### Bandmen Are Called to Organize

Charles Chaplin, Thomas Kendrick and Anthony Zahradnik, committee in charge, are issuing an invitation to musicians of Torrance and the surrounding territory to join them in organizing a local band, something that this community needs, and an especial appeal is made to the musicians who are employed in local industries. An industrial band for an industrial city, is the slogan. There are no doubt many instrumentalists in this community who will welcome a chance to ally themselves with such an organization. A meeting to bring the band into being will be held Friday night, March 22, at the quarters formerly occupied by the State Exchange Bank, at the corner of El Prado and Border avenue, across from the P. E. station. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30, and all those who stand are asked to bring their instruments. The band will be under the leadership of John T. Watson, who is thoroughly experienced along this line, and in addition Mr. Watson has one of the most extensive music libraries in Southern California, so that the new group will have the supplies to start it off at once. Some years ago Torrance had a fine band, but it was allowed to break up, and since that time this city has had no musical representation. Now that the city has provided a band shell at the municipal park, a good band to represent this city in the civic events or other communities is in order.

### Men Are Needed For Glee Club

More men are needed to swell the ranks of the Men's Glee Club, which meets every Monday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Episcopal Guild hall. John Williams is director, and all men singers are welcome to attend. There is charge for membership, the main object being to build up an impressive group. The work is conducted under the auspices of the city recreation department.

### G. P. STARTS WORK ON PIPE LINE APRIL 10

Contract For Million Dollar Link Between Lebec and Torrance Let Wed.

Work will start April 10 on construction of the General Pipe Line Company's new \$1,000,000 pipeline between Torrance and Lebec, it was announced Wednesday by the General Petroleum Corporation, following analysis of bids received Tuesday. The line will run north-south through Inglewood. The Lang Transportation Company and the Macco-Robertson Company were the low and successful bidders, although the company would not state the figure. The two firms will undertake the huge contract jointly. They are today arranging a faithful performance bond and preparing to place orders for the necessary materials. Nearly 90 miles in length, the pipeline will bring oil from the General Petroleum Company's refinery and pumping station at Lebec, starting at an elevation of 4,200 feet, and following the general line of the new Ridge Route down to within a hundred feet of sea level at the company's 230-acre plant at Torrance. The pipeline is to be 10 inches in diameter, of seamless electrical-welded pipe that will have a capacity of 40,000 barrels per day without use of any intermediate pumping stations, or 60,000 barrels a day with the pressure that can be exerted by means of one electric booster station. The Lang Company will transport the 8,000 tons of steel pipe that will be necessary for the line, and the Macco-Robertson Company, it is understood.

### Torrance Will Be Host In May To Boy Scouts

District Accepts City Invitation to Hold Field Day Here

At a meeting of the district committee, held in Wilmington Monday evening, Robert Lewellen, member from Torrance, presented a letter from Mayor Scott Ludlow inviting the district to hold its annual field day here on May 11. The invitation was accepted and Torrance will be host to the Boy Scouts of America in this section. Sessions in the troops of the district are approximately 800, so that this city will see an influx of several hundred boys in all degrees of scouting, including Sea Scouts, on the date set. A complete program of events will be adopted at a meeting of the committee next Monday night. Sessions will include all types of Scout work. The program will last all day and evening. Perhaps arrangements will be made to permit Scouts who want to camp out, to come to Torrance Friday night, and pitch their tents in a suitable spot in the park, where they will have facilities for cooking on the outdoor stoves. This program of events will be held in the ball park, where there are plenty of seats for spectators. The public will be invited to attend any and all sessions.

### Townsend Club Meets March 28

The Townsend Club held their third meeting, Thursday evening, March 14, at the Methodist church, with a good attendance. The club now has 85 members, and it is expected that this number will be increased to 100 within the month. The club will hold another meeting at the M. E. church on March 28, at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited. The club dues are only 25 cents a year, and this money goes to help pay the expense of the general work. Please get in on this good cause," says D. C. Turner.

### DISTRICT CARPENTERS MEET

Carpenters of this district will meet in their hall, 111 So. Catalina street, Redondo Beach, Thursday (tonight) evening, at the regular hour. A feature of the meeting will be an address by Mayor Roberts of the beach city.

### Hospital Redeems Gift This Week

Miss Nina Brown, 16-year-old girl of Lawndale, was the first patient to enjoy the benefits of the prizes awarded recently at the hospital ball given for the benefit of the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital at the Surf and Sand club.

Miss Brown underwent a tonsillectomy, which she had needed for the past six months. The operation was made possible by the generosity of A. Tillman Cox, 444 South Western avenue, Los Angeles, to whom it had been awarded. As Mr. Cox did not need this medical service, he gave it to the young girl and she entered the hospital this week.

According to hospital attaches, a patient will enter next week to receive the appendectomy operation which was awarded to R. McCallum, who disposed of his interest.

### Articles of Incorporation Are Granted

Los Angeles Men Named as Directors of New Corporation

Another step in the reorganization of the million-dollar financial structure holding the Palos Verdes Estates was evidenced this week with the granting of articles of incorporation to the Palos Verdes Estates, Inc., by action of the state corporation commissioner. The articles, on file today with the county clerk in Los Angeles, list as directors John P. Crutcher, J. G. Macfarland, F. Winsland, J. Bigelow and F. Stone, all of Los Angeles.

Capital stock is divided into 18,790 shares, none of which had been subscribed when the articles were granted by Commissioner Edwin M. Daugherty late last week. The superior court of Los Angeles county last week authorized the sale of the Estates at trustee's sale, at which time, by prearrangement, it will be bought by the newly-formed corporation.

### Slander Suit Filed Yesterday Against Woman

W. B. Comozzi of Lomita Complainant in Superior Court Action

Damages of \$35,000 are asked by William B. Comozzi, of Lomita, in a slander suit filed late Wednesday in Los Angeles county superior court. Mrs. Sydney Sheldon is named as defendant in the action, which was filed through a Los Angeles attorney. Five separate counts are named in the complaint, and damages of \$5,000 are asked on each count, and \$2,000 exemplary damage on each of the five counts. Allegations in the complaint are that Mrs. Sheldon made derogatory remarks about him on five separate occasions last June 15, September, January and February 22. Remarks assertedly made by the defendant have reflected upon his character and lessened the profits of his business, it is stated in the complaint. Mrs. Sheldon's address is not given.

### CITY AUDITOR is seriously hurt IN ACCIDENT

C. J. Rambo, auditor for the City of Torrance, was seriously injured Tuesday in an automobile accident on the coast highway near San Diego. He was rushed to a San Diego hospital where his condition was reported to be serious.

### WRECKED COUPE

A Plymouth coupe, owner unknown, was found in a wrecked condition at Plaza del Amo and Carson street, early Saturday morning. The driver going north on Plaza del Amo failed to make the turn into Carson and struck a railroad signal post, tearing off one front wheel.

### FORTY SITES ARE OFFERED FOR NEW LIBRARY BUILDING

Community Property Owners Show Great Interest in Proposed Action to Establish Local Institution

Over 40 sites for the proposed new library building in Torrance have been offered by interested property owners, according to City Clerk A. H. Bartlett. All offers will be reviewed by the special library committee appointed by Mayor Scott R. Ludlow before making a recommendation to the city council.

In a communication addressed to Mayor Ludlow and members of the library committee this week, Miss Helen E. Vogelson, county librarian, asked that she be given a hearing before any decision is reached regarding withdrawal from the county library district.

In outlining expenditures for the past year for the operation of the Torrance branch library, Miss Vogelson submitted the following data:

1,092 books delivered, estimated value.....	\$1,113.84
Cost of periodicals.....	96.05
Light, heat and water.....	219.73
Rent, 12 months at \$65 per month.....	780.00
Salaries:	
Librarian, 12 months at \$75.00 per month.....	\$9,000.00
First Assistant, 12 months at \$55.00 per month.....	660.00
Page, 12 months at \$10.00 per month.....	120.00
Janitor, 12 months at \$25.00 per month.....	300.00
TOTAL.....	\$4,189.62

Estimated income for 1933-34 was given by Miss Vogelson as \$9,844.56. However, with the property of public utilities added to the municipal tax rolls this coming year, the income from the six cent per \$100 assessed valuation will run close to \$11,000, showing an excess over the cost of operating the Torrance branch of over \$6,000 per year.

Another meeting of the library committee is being arranged for this week when it is hoped a definite recommendation may be agreed upon.

### Woman's Clubs Join with Others In Observance of Schools Week

SAN FRANCISCO—Cooperation of the entire membership of the California Federation of Women's Clubs in the 16th annual observance of Public Schools Week, beginning April 8, was urged here today in a proclamation jointly issued to the allied club women by Miss Josephine G. Seaman, state president, and Mrs. Florence I. Kiorlie, state chairman of education of the federation.

The memberships of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers, the American Legion, the Masonic order and other groups have already been requested by their prospective leaders to join in the week's observance.

The appeal to the membership of the Federation of Women's Clubs is as follows:

"In the interests of the conservation and development of human resources so that the highest point possible may be attained spiritually and mentally, through intelligent training and guidance, we, the California Federation of Women's Clubs, in conjunction with other organizations, do hereby lend our support to the statewide plans for the annual observance of Public Schools Week, April 8 to 15, 1935.

"We would urge all club mothers to visit their schools during the week, and to co-operate with this very worthy observance in every way possible. Exhibits of work by students in various schools of the state will be a feature of the week's activities this year, according to the state committee in charge of the affair.

### EXAMINATION for clerkship IS CALLED

Wednesday of next week is the last day to file applications to take the examination for assistant clerk of the El Monte, Inglewood, San Jose and Santa Monica township courts, according to notices posted today by the county civil service commission. Each of the positions will pay a salary of \$115 a month, less a 9.1 percent emergency salary reduction now in effect for all county employees.

### Mrs. Anna Hudson Passes Away at Home

Mrs. Anna Hudson, 88, mother of John W. Hudson, a city employe, passed away at her home, 1230 Portola avenue, Wednesday afternoon, March 20. She was a native of England. Mrs. Hudson had resided in Torrance for the past 12 years. Funeral services will be held from Stone & Myers chapel Friday afternoon, March 22, at 2 o'clock, with interment to be made at Inglewood Park cemetery.

### Candidates To Speak Here Thursday

Candidates sponsored by the Security of Schools Federation, John F. Dalton, Roy J. Becker, Mrs. Margaret L. Clark and Mrs. L. S. Rounsaville, who are campaigning for election to the Los Angeles city board of education, will appear at a public meeting to be held in Torrance next Thursday evening.

The meeting will be held at the Woman's clubhouse, 1422 Engracia avenue, starting at 8 o'clock. Each of the candidates will present his or her views of the educational situation and a plea for support in the campaign.

Mrs. Rounsaville, president of the Tenth District Parent Teachers Association, is a native daughter. She has been active for the past 16 years in child welfare in lay and official capacities. Mrs. Clark has been a resident of California for 16 years and has been active in vocational training, civic and philanthropic work. She is now serving her second term as president of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Los Angeles.

Roy J. Becker is president of the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Rotary Club. He has been successful in every business effort for the past 24 years and active in civic projects since 1922.

John F. Dalton is a printer, and has been president of the Los Angeles Typographical Union since 1935, twice president of the California State Federation of Labor and is a member of the Regional Labor Board for Southern California, Arizona and New Mexico.

### Pete Is Pledged To Fraternity

Pete Zamperini of Torrance is among 103 University of Southern California men who were pledged last week to the campus social fraternities, according to an announcement coming from the office of Dr. Francis Bacon, dean of men at the university. Pete was pledged to the S. C. chapter of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity.

### Business Women's Week Is Observed with Inter-Club Relations Dinner Tuesday

Business and Professional Women's Week, March 17-22, was observed in Torrance Tuesday evening when the local club of the national federation tendered their second annual inter-club relations dinner at the Woman's clubhouse, 1422 Engracia avenue. Approximately 150 people

were in attendance, including Mayor Scott R. Ludlow, City Clerk A. H. Bartlett, Councilmen W. H. Tolson and W. T. Klusman, Police Chief G. M. Calder, Captain John Stroth, and representatives of the Rotary, Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, American Legion Auxiliary, and many other prominent organizations. The tables were beautifully decorated in orange and gold with modernistic centerpieces, and at each place was a handsome printed program in Chinese red and gold. Miss Ada Chase, art teacher at the Torrance high school, assisted by Miss Colina McNeil and Miss Beatrice Hughes, was responsible for the attractive display. A handsome conventional basket of flowers, composed of desert candles, marigolds and yellow blooms, donated by the Poppy Flower Shop, adorned the stage.

Mrs. Juliet M. Young, state education chairman, called the roll of attendance, and the president of the club, Miss Beatrice Hughes, introduced the entertainers. The program included several intriguing dance numbers, given by pupils of the Dave King-Mae Murray Dance Studios, of Los Angeles. All those who appeared in dances are professional entertainers, all but one act being now engaged in the theatre in Los Angeles, the other having just finished an engagement. Their snappy offerings were liberally applauded and afforded an hour of splendid entertainment. At the close of this part of the program, Mr. King and Miss Murray, former vaudeville team, staged a surprise number.

Paul Gilliam, Torrance vocalist, sang and yodeled several popular songs to his own guitar accompaniment. Paul has a beautiful well modulated tenor voice, and his selections were very well received. Torrance audiences should hear him more often. Miss Frances Emans, district legislative chairman, attorney in charge of stock sales for the Southern California Edison Company at Los Angeles, spoke briefly on the significance of business women's week, giving the audience some highlights on the national and international character of the organization of which the local club is a part, and telling of its objectives, the promotion of economic security for men and women employed, and closed her remarks with a humorous story contrasting working conditions of some years ago with those of the present day. Since the Torrance club feels that no important occasion is complete without the services of Miss Bunola Kay, Los Angeles vocalist and teacher, the program was closed with two groups of songs by Miss Kay, accompanied by Madame Teala Bilini. She sang a negro spiritual, a love song, and after a change of costume to the be-ruffled and hoop-skirted garb of the older days, appropriate to old songs, sang "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia," and "Alicia Blue Gown." The entire program was well chosen and carried out with snappy effectiveness, and those who attended were generous with their praise and appreciation of the efforts of the club to make the affair a success.

### STEEL CHIEFS HERE TO VISIT COLUMBIA MILL

Group of Prominent U. S. Steel and Columbia Executives Arrive Today

A group of prominent officials of the United States Steel Corporation and the Columbia Steel Company, U. S. Steel subsidiary, arrived in Torrance this morning and were conducted on a tour of inspection of the local plant by H. W. Lanz, manager of the Torrance mills. Included in the group were:

- Nathan L. Miller, director of U. S. Steel Corp.
- A. F. Baker, retiring president of Elgin-Johnston Railroad U. S. Steel subsidiary, and also a retiring member of the U. S. Steel board of directors.
- A. N. Diehl, president of Columbia Steel.
- W. A. Ross, vice president and general manager of sales of Columbia Steel.
- W. R. Phibbs, Columbia's general manager in charge of operations.
- O. L. Pringle, assistant to the president of Columbia Steel.
- Walter Shelton, chief counsel of Columbia Steel at San Francisco.
- D. G. Kerr, former vice president of U. S. Steel.

### TO HOLD RALLY AT WILMINGTON

This year the third annual harbor educational rally will be held in the Phineas Banning high school, Friday, April 5. This occasion will mark three important events. First it will be Banning's open house as part of Public School Week observance. Second, this meeting will commemorate the ten-year anniversary of the founding of secondary education in the United States. Third, it will be the first time that the harbor educational rally has been held in Wilmington. Local Masonic orders will sponsor this year's rally and Tom Mason will act as master of ceremonies. All the churches, service clubs, lodges, and fraternal organizations are being asked to participate in this event.